

News Release

AIBI appoints its new President and reinforces its Board.

Brussels 16 June 2022, Georg Heberer is appointed as the new AIBI President and Jean-Manuel Lévêque as Vice-President. Three new members join the AIBI Board.

During its General Assembly meeting, which was organized on the side of AIBI 37th Congress in Slovenia, the AIBI members have appointed Georg Heberer, Wiener Feinbäckerei, from Germany, as the new AIBI President. To the great applause of the Assembly, the members thanked the outgoing President Janez Bojc from Slovenia for his work in support of AIBI and large bakers.

Jean-Manuel Leveque, Chairman of NOVEPAN - France, was appointed as Board member and elected as the first Vice-President. Volodymyr Mysyk, Bakery National Association– Ukraine, was nominated as Honorary Vice-President. Armin Juncker, Managing Director of the Association of German Large Bakeries, will remain AIBI Treasurer. Three new members will further reinforce the Board: Kari Meltovaara, CEO of Leipomo Rosten - Finland, Barbara Rupnik, Secretary General of the bakery association in GZS - Slovenia, and Andrew Pyne, Chief Executive of Federation Of Bakers - United Kingdom.

"In the tense context that our industry is facing, AIBI is more than ever a key platform for our industry to assure its representation towards the political and regulatory authorities and to facilitate interactions and coordination throughout the bakery chain. We see the unity and coherence of the value chain as a pivotal asset for facing current challenges, and wish to reinforce links with our National platforms, our member companies and the other associations of the chain, including in international context" jointly said Georg Heberer and Jean-Manuel Lévêque.



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AIBI is the International Association of large plant bakers. Through its Member Associations, it represents over 500 bakers from industrial / multinational companies to those operating centralized/regional workshops, in the European Union and Ukraine, producing over 35 Mio tpa of bread/bakery products. Their wide diversity of products include bread, specialty bread, fine bakery and pastries, which are delivered in finished, bake-off and frozen form. AIBI is the interface between its members and the institutional and non-institutional stakeholders at EU and international level.

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